

RESOLUTION NO. 20160211-017

WHEREAS; Austin is ranked the 11th largest city in the US and is experiencing significant traffic congestion issues that are increasing as the region continues its rapid expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City is responsible for addressing transportation at three levels simultaneously- neighborhood, key arterials, and regional highways- which all require different transportation strategies, but must work together to be successful; and

WHEREAS, no single fix will address our mobility challenges, we must consider and provide more options to create a better-connected system of roads, transit, pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, previous public input processes have been conducted over the years collecting public input data that could be used to identify needs and prioritize projects; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2016 the City Council Mobility Committee received a briefing discussing public process options for prioritizing and funding of transportation projects; **NOW, THEREFORE,**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

The City Manager is directed to initiate a public conversation and input process to identify and prioritize transportation projects for potential funding and to identify recommended funding options.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

The City Manager is directed to include, as part of the public conversation and input process, citizens from each geographical district and neighborhood

associations throughout the city, input from the Planning Commission, Zoning and Platting Commission, Urban Transportation Commission, Bond Oversight Commission, Public Safety Commission, Commission on Seniors, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee, Vision Zero Task Force, as well as utilization of the City's Conversation Corps, collaboration with Council Members in their Districts, and other available tools to provide for public conversations as well as input.

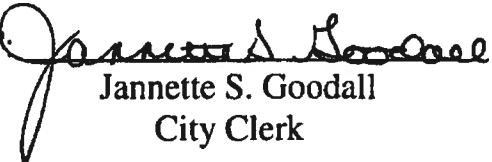
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

For purposes of identifying potential transportation projects for funding, the City Manager is directed to include information collected from earlier public input processes such as Project Connect, MobilityATX, the Austin Metropolitan Area Transportation Plan, the Bicycle Master Plan, the Sidewalk Master Plan, and the neighborhood plans, the specific area plans, and the transportation plans attached to the Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan and public involvement data for other local, state and federal transportation planning.

Council, Commissions and staff will conduct their reviews and actions in a timely manner to maximize the opportunities for and benefits of a public conversation process and provide a proposal that includes identified projects and funding options for review and a public hearing at the Council Mobility Committee's scheduled June 8, 2016 meeting.

ADOPTED: February 11, 2016

ATTEST:


Jannette S. Goodall
City Clerk